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**NEW PATENT APPLICATION TRANSMITTAL RULE §1.53(b)**

Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Transmitted herewith for filing under 37 C.F.R. §1.53(b) is a nonprovisional patent application:

For (Title): NODE CONTROL DEVICE, NODE DEVICE AND OPTICAL PATH SETTING METHOD

By (Inventors): Yoshihiro NAKAHIRA

- ☒ 48 pages of Specification/Claims 1-17/Abstract are attached.  
☒ Formal drawings (Fig. 1-15; 15 sheets) is attached.  
☒ A Declaration and Power of Attorney is filed herewith.  
☒ An assignment of the invention to **OKI ELECTRIC INDUSTRY CO., LTD.**, is filed herewith, along with form PTO-1595 and a check for \$40.00.  
☐ A Statement to establish small entity status under 37 C.F.R. §§1.9 and 1.27 is filed herewith.  
☐ A Preliminary Amendment is filed herewith.  
☐ Please amend the specification by inserting before the first line the sentence --This nonprovisional application claims the benefit of U.S. Provisional Application No. \_\_, filed \_\_--  
☒ Priority of foreign application No. 213186/1999 filed July 28, 1999 in JAPAN is claimed (35 U.S.C. §119).  
☒ A certified copy of the above corresponding foreign application is filed herewith.

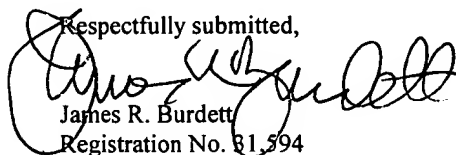
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- ☐ This application is entitled to small entity status. DO NOT charge large entity fees to our Deposit Account.

Respectfully submitted,

  
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